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RETIRED CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE BENJAMIN L. DICKINSON RECEIVES KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION'S 2016 DISTINGUISHED JUDGE AWARD

FRANKFORT, Ky. – Retired Circuit Court Judge Benjamin L. Dickinson, from Glasgow, was awarded the Kentucky Bar Association's 2016 Distinguished Judge Award at the annual banquet on Thursday, May 12, during the association's annual convention. President Douglass Farnsley from Louisville, Ky., presented the award.

The Distinguished Judge Award is presented to any judge who has distinguished himself or herself through a contribution of outstanding service to the legal profession. The selection process places special emphasis upon community, civic and/or charitable service, which brings honor to the profession.

Judge Dickinson served for eight years as a Circuit Judge for the 43rd Judicial Circuit, including Barren and Metcalfe counties. A native of Barren County, Ky., Judge Dickinson graduated from Centre in 1964 with a degree in economics and went on to earn his law degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law in 1970. Judge Dickinson has also been a mentor judge, a member of the Circuit Judges' Education Committee, and a member of the Judicial Advisory Counsel for Sexual Abuse and Domestic Violence. He served as a District Judge beginning in 1978 until 1993, when he moved to the Circuit Court bench. He is a member of the Kentucky Bar Association's Ethics Committee, and serves on the KBA's Ethics Hotline, where he advises attorneys on difficult ethical questions. Additionally, he joined the Navy reserves as a freshman at Centre and completed 3 years of active duty after his graduation in 1964 before attending the University of Kentucky College of Law on the GI Bill.

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